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1. MISOFF CONVEYED SUBSTANCE REFTEL TO UN TREASURER
JUNE 23 AND ASKED FOR STATUS OF CONTRIBUTIONS OF COUNTRIES
LISTED PARA 2 REFTEL.

2. ALL LISTED COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN SUBJECT OF FREQUENT
PERSONAL IMPORTUNING BY UN TREASURER. ARGENTINA PAID UP
IN JUNE 1975. BOTH BRAZIL AND ITALY HAVE SAID THEY EXPECT
TO PAY IN MID-JULY 1975. SOUTH AFRICA IS CONSIDERED A
SPECIAL POLITICAL SITUATION. SOVIET UNION IS ALSO EXPECTED
TO MAKE SUBSTANTIAL PAYMENT IN MID-JULY.

3. IMMEDIATE CASH NEEDS OF UN TREASURER INCLUDE \$2.5 MILLION
FOR END-JUNE PAYROLL, \$1.8 MILLION FOR NORMAL OPERATIONAL
EXPENSES AND \$1. MILLION FOR REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS,
OR TOTAL OF \$5.3 MILLION. IN ADDITION, UN TREASURER HAS
ALREADY BORROWED \$9 MILLION FROM PENSION FUND AND WILL
OWE FURTHER \$4 MILLION TO FUND ON JULY 10, UNLESS
CASH POSITION IMPROVES BEFORE THEN.

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4. THUS, UN IMMEDIATE CASH NEEDS CONTINUE TO BE URGENT.

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